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METHOD FOR PREVENTING HIV-1 INFECTION

OF CD4 CELLS

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Sir:

COMMUNICATION REQUESTING CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT

This Communication is filed to request the issuance of a corrected Filing Receipt in connection with the above-identified application. Upon receipt of the official Filing Receipt for the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney noticed an error. Specifically, the continuing data is incorrectly listed as:

--THIS APPLN CLAIMS BENEFIT OF 60/019,715 06/14/1998 AND CLAIMS BENEFIT OF 60/014,532 04/02/1996--

A corrected Filing Receipt should read as follows:

--THIS APPLN IS A CON OF PCT/US98/12331 06/12/1998 WHICH IS A CIP OF 08/876,078 06/13/1997 **AND** CLAIMS BENEFIT OF 60/019,715 06/14/1998 AND CLAIMS BENEFIT OF 60/014,532 04/02/1996--

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A copy of the original filing receipt with the changes noted The correct continuing thereon is attached hereto as Exhibit A. data may be found in the Application for United States Letters Patent filed December 13, 1999 and in the Preliminary Amendment filed with the subject application on December 13, 1999. of the first page of the Application for United States Letters Patent and the Preliminary Amendment are attached hereto as Exhibit B and Exhibit C, respectively. Accordingly, applicants request that a corrected Filing Receipt be issued.

No fee is deemed necessary in connection with the filing of this Communication. However, if any fee is required, authorization is hereby given to charge the amount of any such fee to Deposit Account 03-3125.

Respectfully submitted,

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited this date with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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METHOD FOR PREVENTING HIV-1 INFECTION OF CD4+ CELLS

This application is a continuation-in-part application of U.S. Serial No. 08/876,078, filed June 13, 1997, the contents of which is hereby incorporated by reference.

Throughout this application, various references are referred to within parentheses. Disclosures of these publications in their entireties are hereby incorporated by reference into this application to more fully describe the state of the art to which this invention pertains. Full bibliographic citation for these references may be found at the end of each series of experiments.

Background of the Invention

Chemokines are a family of related soluble proteins of molecular weight between 8 and 10KDa, secreted lymphocytes and other cells, which bind receptors on target cell surfaces resulting in the activation and mobilization of leukocytes, for example in the inflammatory process. Recently, Cocchi et al. demonstrated that the chemokines RANTES, MIP-1 α and MIP-1 β are factors produced by CD8 $^{+}$ T lymphocytes which inhibit infection by macrophage-tropic infection primary isolates of HIV-1, but not laboratory-adapted strains of the virus (1). These chemokines are members of the C-C group of chemokines, so named because they have adjacent cysteine residues, unlike the C-X-C group which has a single amino acid separating these residues (2). While Cocchi et al. found that expression of HIV-1 RNA was suppressed by treatment with the chemokines, they did not identify the site of action of these molecules.

A resonance energy transfer (RET) assay of HIV-1 envelope glycoprotein-mediated membrane fusion was used to determine whether fusion mediated by the envelope glycoprotein from the primary macrophage-tropic isolate of HIV-1 $_{\rm JR-FL}$ would be specifically inhibited by chemokines, when compared with fusion mediated by the envelope glycoprotein from the



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SIR:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the subject application as follows:

In the specification:

On page 1, line 1, after the words "This application is a" and before the words "continuation-in-part" please insert the following:

--continuation application of PCT International Application No. PCT/US98/12331, filed June 12, 1998, which is a--.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-60 without prejudice to applicants' right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a later-filed application. Please add new claims 61-64 as follows.

--61. (New) A method of inhibiting HIV-1 infection of CD4+ cells which comprises contacting CD4+ cells with a non-chemokine peptidyl agent capable of binding to a chemokine receptor in an amount and under conditions such that fusion of HIV-1 or an HIV-1 infected cell to the CD4+ cells is inhibited, so as to thereby inhibit



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HIV-1 infection of the CD4+ cells, provided that the nonchemokine peptidyl agent is not a bicyclam or a derivative thereof.--

- --62. (New) The method of claim 61, wherein the nonchemokine peptidyl agent is an oligopeptide.--
- --63. (New) The method of claim 61, wherein the non-chemokine peptidyl agent is a polypeptide.--
- --64. (New) The method of claim 63, wherein the non-chemokine peptidyl agent is an antibody or portion of an antibody.--

Remarks:

Claims 1-60 were pending in the subject application. Applicants have hereinabove canceled claims 1-60 without prejudice to their right to pursue the subject matter of these claims in a later-filed application and added new claims 61-64 as follows. Support for these amendments may be found <u>inter alia</u> in the specification as follows: claim 61: page 13, lines 1-6, page 14, lines 6-10 and 21-22; claim 62: page 14, lines 13-14; claim 63, lines 14-15; claim 64, lines 15-17. Accordingly, claims 61-64 involve no issue of new matter and entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

If a telephone interview would be of assistance in advancing prosecution of the subject application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone him at the number provided below.

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